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| BACKPLANE FOR EMBEDDED SYSTEMS    | JUL 0 2 2003                |
| For: RUGGED SHOCK RESISTANT       | ) RECEIVED                  |
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**AMENDMENT** 

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Dear Sir/Madam:

In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2003 in relation to the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows: